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In the Application of:
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FOR: INHIBITORS OF APOPTOSIS PROTEINS IN PLANTS

AMENDMENT
AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is an Amendment and Response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed May 23, 2005. A Petition for Extension of Time for three (3) months up to and including September 23, 2005, is filed simultaneously herewith.

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows and consider the following remarks. Material added is indicated by underlining (underlining) and material deleted is indicated by strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~).

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Amendments to Claims, as reflected in the Listing of Claims, begin on page 4 of this paper.

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